

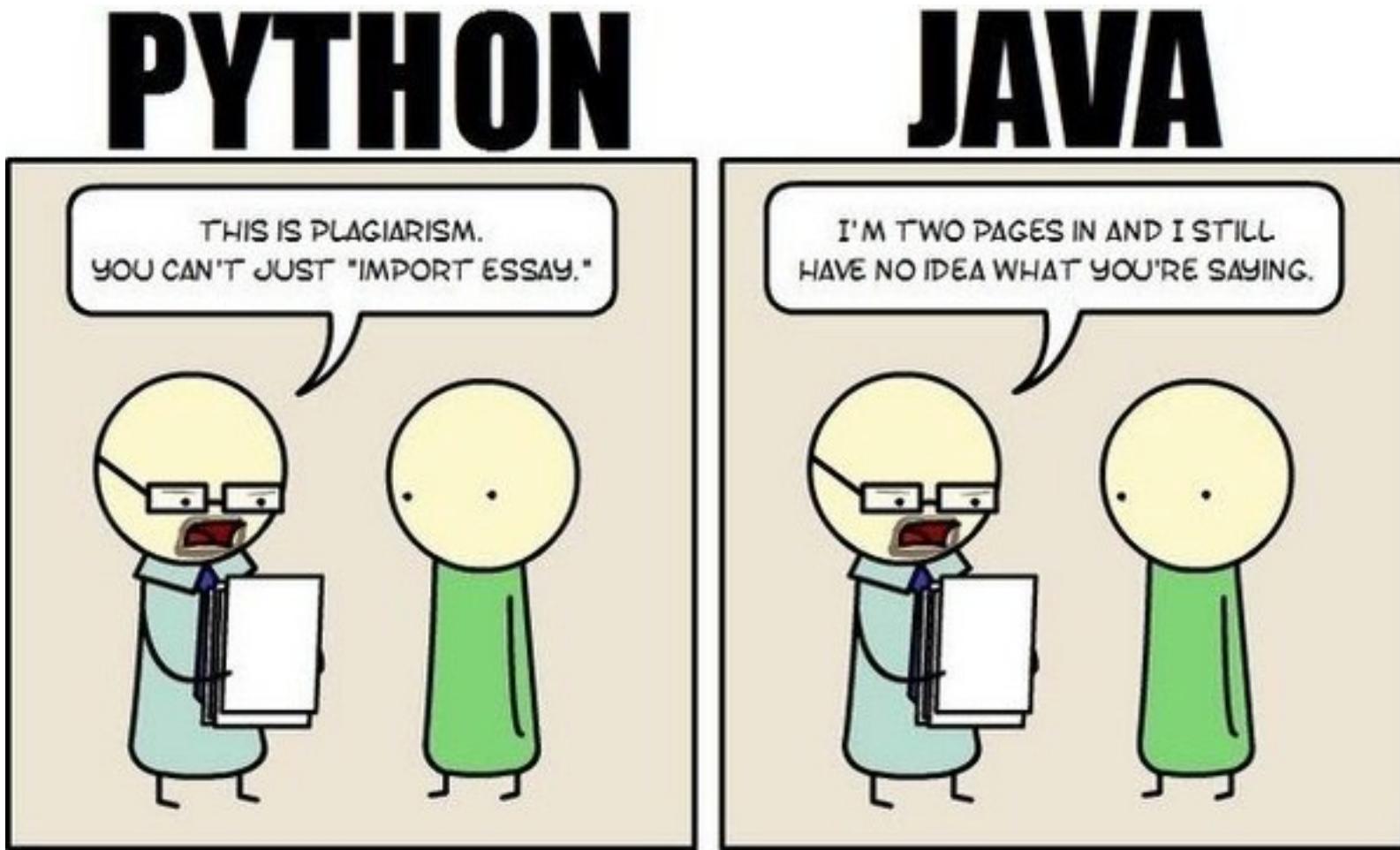
Python 101



Objectives

- Why python?
- Python2 vs Python3.
- Installing Python3.
- Objects and data structures.
- Working with numbers and variables.
- Working with Strings, indexing and slicing.
- Lists.
- Tuples.
- Dictionaries.
- Sets.
- Working with files.
- Booleans.
- Control flows (if statements).
- Loops.
- Working with Functions.
- Installing libraries.

Why Python over Java?



Why Python?

- Developed by **Guido Van Rossum** in 1991, in Netherlands.

DOCTOR FUN



- Advantages:
 - Easy to learn.
 - Typically involves less code.
 - Syntax is easier to read, focuses on indentation.
 - Utilized by every major technology company.
 - User friendly data structures.
 - Productivity and speed.
 - Popular with Data Scientist and ML.
- We are going to review a set of tools that...

"are most recommended and useful with emerging technologies."

Python 3 vs Python 2

- Choosing between Python 2 vs Python 3 **used to be a very difficult decision** for newcomers to the Python programming language.
- Many companies still had **legacy Python 2** code to be maintained.
- Python is going to **stop receiving** security **updates** in the year **2020**.
- Every major external Python package has been updated to support Python 3.
- **Python 3 is the future for Python!**

Installing Python 3.

- Download link:
 - <https://www.python.org/downloads/>



Working with Python

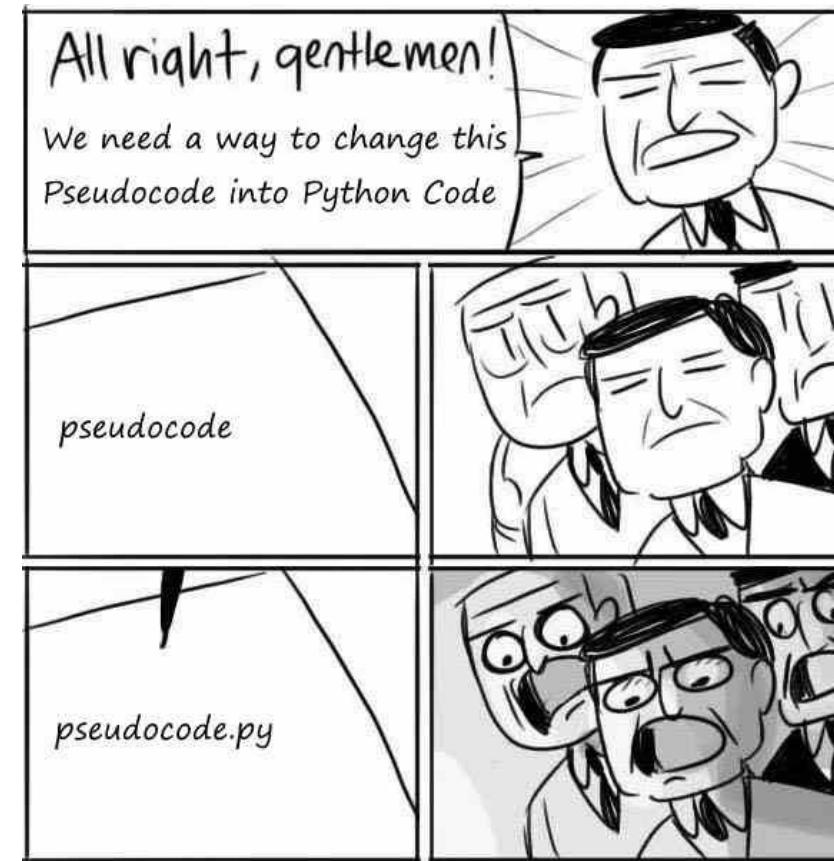
- We are going to install a Notebook environment.
 - Jupyter notebook.

<http://jupyter.readthedocs.io/en/latest/install.html#alternative-for-experienced-python-users-installing-jupyter-with-pip>





Python Hands - on



Object and Data Structures

Name	Type	Ordered	Example
Integer	int	-	Basic whole numbers, 1 2 10000
Floating point	float	-	Numbers with decimal point: 2.3 4.6 200.0
Strings	str	Yes	Sequence of characters: "Hi" "Mike" "1000"
Lists	list	Yes	Sequence of objects: [10,"hello",200.3]
Dictionaries	dict	No	Key:Value pairs: {"myKey": "value", "name": "Frankie"}
Tuples	tup	Yes	Immutable sequence of objects (10,"hello",200.3)
Sets	set	No	Collection of unique objects: {"a","b"}
Booleans	bool	-	True or False

Python Hello World.

- Validate Python3 installation.
- My first python program with Python and Jupyter.



Hands-on -1, Working with numbers

- There are two main number types:
 - **Integers.**
 - **Floating point.**
- Basic math with Python!



Using variables

- Creating a variable in Python:

```
my_dogs=2
```

- Rules for variable names:

- Names can't start with numbers.
- No spaces in the name, use “_” instead.
- Names can't contains special characters like:

:”‘,<>/? | \()!#\$%^&*~-+

- Use lowercase.
- Avoid using words that have special meaning with Python like: "list" and "str".

Using variables

- Uses **Dynamic Typing**, you can reassign variables to different data types.
- Python is flexible in assigning data types, not “**statically-typed**”.
- **Example:**

- `my_dogs=2`
- `my_dogs="Two Dogs"`
- `my_dogs=["Ginger","Glove"]`

This is Ok with Python.

- **Pros of Dynamic Typing:**
 - Very easy to work with
 - Faster development time
- **Cons:**
 - Prone to produce unexpected data types bugs.
 - You need to be aware of `type()`



Working with Strings

- **Strings**, are ordered sequences of characters.
- **Strings** are immutable.
- **+** works for Strings concatenation.
- **#** to add comments.
- To work with Strings, we can use **indexing** and **slicing**.
- **Indexing**, uses [] notation after the String, to allow grabbing a single character from the String.
- **Example:**

– Characters:	H E L L O
– Index:	0 1 2 3 4
– Reverse Index:	0 -4 -3 -2 -1



Working with Strings

- **Slicing**, allows you to grab a subsection of multiple characters, a “slice” of the String.
- Slicing, syntax:

[start:stop:step]



Start: Numerical index for the slice start
(zero based)



Stop: Index you will go up to (exclusive)



Step: is the size of the “jump”



Activity with Strings

- From the next String, reverse it and then remove the first and last 3 characters.
- String:

ewqbojdoogabt



String Properties and formatting methods

- Strings are Immutable.
- Strings are objects with interesting methods to use.
- Strings support 2 main methods to display variables.
 - **.format()**
 - **F-strings**



Working with Lists

- Lists are ordered sequences, that can hold a variety of object types.
- Lists use brackets and commas to store and separate objects.

[1,2,3,4,5]

- Lists support **indexing** and **slicing**.



Working with Dictionaries

- Unordered mappings for storing objects.
- Store **{Key:value}** pairs, this allow users to grab values quickly without needing an index location.
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Working with Tuples

- Similar to lists, but the key difference is that tuples are **immutable**.
- Once an element is inside a tuple, it can't be reassigned.
- Tuples use parenthesis and commas:

(1,2,3)

- Tuples are great to maintain data integrity, common used to avoid updating values in methods or larger pieces of code.



Working with Sets

- Sets are unordered collections of **unique** elements.
- Only one element of the same object.

```
my_set = set()
```



Working with Files

- Create files with Jupyter notebook.
- Python has different modes when dealing with files.
 - **mode='r'** is read only.
 - **mode='w'** is write only (will overwrite files or create new ones).
 - **mode='a'** is append only.
 - **mode='r+'** is reading and writing.
 - **mode='w+'** is writing and reading(Overwrites existing files or creates a new one).



Working with Booleans

- Booleans represent **True** or **False** statements.
- Important when dealing with control flow logic.

BEING A PROGRAMMER

My mom said:

"Honey, please go to the market and buy 1 bottle of milk. If they have eggs, bring 6"

I came back with 6 bottles of milk.

She said: "Why the hell did you buy 6 bottles of milk?"

I said: "BECAUSE THEY HAD EGGS!!!!"



Control Flows

- Control flows, use colons and indentation.
- Indentation is necessary for flow control.
- Basic syntax of if statement:

```
if some_condition:
    #execute code
else:
    #execute else code
```

Control Flows

- Syntax of an if/else if statement:

```
if some_condition:  
    #execute code  
elif some_other_condition:  
    #do something different  
else:  
    #execute else code
```



Working with For loops

- For loops work with “Iterable” objects, that means, the ability to perform an action over every object in a collection.
- Example:

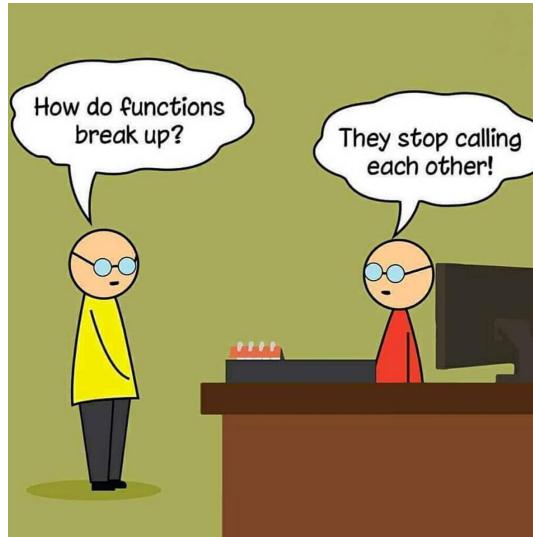
```
item_list= [1,2,3]
for item in item_list:
    print(item)
```

```
>>1
>>2
>>3
```



Working with functions

- Creating reusable code is key part of becoming an effective programmer.
- **Functions** allow us to create blocks of code that can be easily executed many times, without needing to constantly rewrite the entire block of code.



Functions syntax

```
#Using snake_case
def name_of_function(name):
    """
    Function documentation
    """
    print("Hello" + name)
    return name
```



Using Pip

- **Pip** is a package management system used to install and manage software packages written in Python.
- Useful **pip3** commands:
 - **pip3 list**
 - **pip3 install XXXXX**
 - **pip3 uninstall XXXX**



Now, you are allowed to say!

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PYTHON
WHAT'S YOUR
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Q & A